

1 the other principles which were enunciated by the Chairman:
2 that there should be single member districts, that the
3 size of the General Assembly should be reduced, that the
4 General Assembly should be given more discretion in the
5 determination of the length of the session, and that it
6 should establish by law its own salary.

7 We believe that all of these reforms can be
8 accomplished, and that in addition, a more effective and
9 strengthened General Assembly can be established if
10 it is composed of only one house.

11 It is the position of the minority that the
12 tradition of having a bicameral General Assembly is
13 rooted primarily in mistrust of the legislature, and that
14 contrary to that distrust, we should establish a strong
15 legislative branch and assume that it will be responsible,
16 and that in fact, we should organize it in such a way that
17 its responsibility would be enhanced.

18 We will be prepared to offer further amendments
19 if our substitute for section 3.01 is adopted to establish
20 a one house legislature, to establish that one house at
21 100 members.